Officers and staff in the Fisheries Department.

15. **MR. CODIVEETIL C. RAMANKUNJU:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether some of the officers and staff in the Fisheries, Department are Caste Hindus and orthodox vegetarians, and, if so, whether they will be pleased to enquire and state the names of such persons, post held, salary drawn and qualifications?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: Government consider that it is neither necessary nor practicable to ascertain accurately the number of orthodox vegetarians among the officers and staff in the Fisheries Department. As regards "Caste Hindus", the distinction does not exist since the promulgation of the Temple Entry Proclamation.

Irrigation works in Neyyar.

16. **MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there are requisitions from the people of Neyyattinkara taluk regarding the construction of irrigation works in Neyyar either at Arivipuram or at Aruvikara in Neyyar to irrigate lands in Parassalai and other places to benefit the irrigational tanks in that area; and

(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative whether any report has been called for from the Minor Irrigation Division, Quilon?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

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